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THE
ANNUAL REPORT
OF THE
MEDICAL OFFICER OF HEALTH
AND
PUBLIC HEALTH INSPECTOR

COUNCIL OFFICES,
CROSS STREET, LEES,
NR. OLDHAM, LANCASHIRE.

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July, 1965.

To the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee of
the Urban District Council of Lees.

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I have pleasure in presenting my Annual Report on the health of the district for the year 1964.

A further table of information from the 1961 Census has been introduced on page four. This gives details of the tenure of homes in the district and their amenities.

There was a further increase in the number of births registered, from 62 in 1963 to 71. This is the largest number of births registered for eleven years. The adjusted birth rate was 23.7 compared with a national rate of 18.4.

74 deaths were recorded, giving an adjusted death rate of 17.7 compared with the national rate of 11.3.

The number of cases of infectious disease notified was 36 compared with 66 in 1963. This reduction was chiefly due to a considerable decrease in notifications of dysentery.

In conclusion I must thank the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee for their encouragement and support throughout the year, and I wish to acknowledge the valuable assistance given by the Clerk of the Council and the staff of the Health Department.

I am, Mr. Chairman and Gentlemen,

Your obedient Servant,

G. R. Brackenridge.

Medical Officer of Health.



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GENERAL STATISTICS.

(1)

Area in acres 288

Population.

Census 1961 3,730

Estimated Mid 1964 3,680

Number of Inhabited Houses.

Estimated 1964 1,433

Rateable Value £100,962

Sum represented by a Penny Rate £340

General rate per pound 1964/65 9s. 6d.

(2)

General Characteristics and Social Conditions of the District.

The Urban District is situated between the eastern boundary of Oldham County Borough and the western boundary of Saddleworth Urban District, the latter boundary also being the County Boundary between Lancashire and Yorkshire.

The development of the district originally centred around the cotton mills, three of which are now in production. The majority of the remaining mill structures have been converted to other industries or are used for storage purposes, whilst two such structures have recently been demolished, one of these sites being redeveloped for industry.

Two major roads serve the district, Huddersfield Road being a section of the Liverpool - Leeds - Hull A.62 Trunk Road, and High Street A.669 on which the majority of the shop premises are situated.

VITAL STATISTICS

Live Births (Total) 71

	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
Legitimate	33	37
Illegitimate	-	1

Live Birth Rate per 1000 population:-

Crude Rate 19.3
Adjusted Rate 23.7
(Comparability Factor 1.23)

Illegitimate Live Births per cent total of live births 1.4
Stillbirths 1
Stillbirth rate per 1000 live and still births 13.9
Total live and still births 72
Infant Deaths (deaths under 1 year) 1

	<u>Males.</u>	<u>Females.</u>
Legitimate	-	-
Illegitimate	-	1

Infant Mortality Rates.

Total infant deaths per 1000 total live births 14.1
Legitimate infant deaths per 1000 legitimate live
births.. Nil
Illegitimate infant deaths per 1000 illegitimate live
births.. 1000
Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 4 weeks per 1000 total
live births.. 14.1
Early Neo-Natal Mortality Rate (deaths under 1 week per 1000
total live births.. 14.1
Perinatal Mortality Rate (Stillbirths and deaths under 1 week
combined per 1000 total live and
still births)..... 27.8
Maternal Mortality Rate (including abortion)..... Nil
Maternal Mortality Rate per 1000 live and stillbirths Nil
Total deaths (all ages) 74

Death Rate per 1000 population:-

Crude Rate 20.1
Adjusted Rate 17.7
(Comparability Factor .68)

Principal Causes of Deaths:-

Diseases of Heart and Circulation 36
Cancer all sites 12
Vascular lesions of the nervous system 9

Comparability Factor.

This factor takes into account the age and sex structure of the local population as compared with that of England and Wales as a whole, and makes it possible to compare local birth and death rates with the corresponding national rates.

CENSUS INFORMATION - 1961

Total Population		3,730	100%
<u>CHILDREN</u>	Pre-school - Up to 5 years old	213	5.5
	School children - 5 - 14 inclusive	517	14.0
	Total children under 15	730	19.5
<u>MEN</u>	15 - 64 "Working Population"	1,174	31.5
<u>WOMEN</u>	15 - 44 "Reproductive Population"	638	17.1
	45 - 60	461	12.0
<u>ELDERLY PERSONS</u>	Women, 60 and over	504	13.5
	Men, 65 and over	223	6.0
	Total Pensionable	727	19.5

Total Households			1,400	100%
Tenure	Owner-occupied		671	48.0
	Local Authority owned		82	6.0
	Rented unfurnished		569	40.5
	Other tenures		78	5.5
Amenities	Without exclusive use.	Cold water tap	1	-
		Hot water system	549	39.0
		Fixed bath	712	51.0
		W.C.	372	26.5
	With all four above amenities		661	47.0

COMPARATIVE TABLE OF VITAL STATISTICS

		1964	1963	1962	1959	1954
Population		3,680	3,730	3,750	3,930	4,100
Live Births	No.	71	62	51	43	56
	Adj. Rate	23.7	20.4	15.6	12.0	15.2
Stillbirths	No.	1	1	0	1	2
	Rate	13.9	15.9	Nil	22.7	34.0
Total Live and Still Births	No.	72	63	51	44	58
Total Infant Deaths	No.	1	1	1	1	2
	Rate	14.1	16.1	19.6	23.3	36.0
Maternal Deaths	No.	0	0	0	0	0
	Rate	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil	Nil
Total Deaths	No.	74	64	66	65	55
	Adj. Rate	17.7	15.1	16.0	17.2	13.3

CAUSES OF DEATH.

			1964	1963	1962	1961	1960
	M.	F.	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
Tuberculosis (N.P.)	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Syphilitic disease	1	-	1	-	-	-	1
Malignant neoplasms -							
Stomach	-	-	-	4	1	3	1
Breast	-	-	-	1	1	-	2
Lung & Bronchus	1	-	1	1	3	1	-
Uterus	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other sites	5	6	11	8	8	3	4
Leukaemia, aleukaemia	-	-	-	-	2	-	-
Diabetes	-	-	-	-	1	-	1
Vascular lesions of nervous							
system	2	7	9	11	10	7	11
Coronary disease, angina	8	4	12	6	9	15	9
Hypertension with heart							
disease	-	2	2	-	-	1	-
Other heart disease	1	9	10	8	9	12	9
Other circulatory disease	4	8	12	5	3	7	7
Influenza	-	-	-	-	1	2	-
Pneumonia	-	3	3	4	3	2	3
Bronchitis	3	1	4	6	7	8	5
Other disease of respiratory							
system	1	-	1	1	-	1	1
Ulcer of stomach and							
duodenum	2	-	2	-	-	1	-
Nephritis and nephrosis	-	-	-	1	1	-	1
Hyperplasia of prostate	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Pregnancy	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Congenital malformations	-	-	-	-	-	-	1
Other defined and ill-							
defined disease	2	3	5	4	3	2	1
Motor vehicle accidents	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
All other accidents	-	-	-	1	3	1	-
Suicide	-	1	1	2	1	1	-
Totals	30	44	75	64	66	67	59

DEATHS - BY AGE GROUPS.

			1964	1963	1962	1961	1960
	M.	F.	Total	Total	Total	Total	Total
Under 1	-	1	1	1	1	-	2
1 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 -	1	-	1	1	1	-	-
15 -	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
25 -	1	-	1	2	1	2	-
45 -	5	6	12	10	14	18	19
65 -	12	9	21	23	22	18	13
Over 75	11	27	38	27	27	29	25
Totals ...	30	44	74	64	66	67	59

INFANT MORTALITY - 1964.

Cause of death	Under 1 day	1 to 6 days	1 to 4 weeks	1 - 3 months	3 to 12 months	Total
Other diseases	-	1	-	-	-	1
Total...	-	1	-	-	-	1

INFANT MORTALITY AND STILLBIRTHS -
COMPARATIVE TABLE.

	1964	1963	1962	1959	1954
STILLBIRTH RATE (per 1000 total births)	13.9	15.9	Nil	22.7	34.0
NEO-NATAL RATE (Per 1000 live births)	14.1	Nil	Nil	23.3	36.0
INFANT MORTALITY RATE (Per 1000 live births)	14.1	16.1	20.0	23.3	36.0

Disease of the heart and blood vessels, together with cancer, were once again the principal causes of death. This trend is found throughout the country and reflects in part the greater number of old people in the population and the lessening importance of infectious disease as a cause of death.

There was one infant death during the year. Variations in the infant mortality tables which may be considerable from year to year, are mainly the result of the small numbers involved, rather than of significant change in mortality.

PREVALENCE OF NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASE - 1964.

(Other than Tuberculosis)

Notifiable Disease.	Total cases at all ages.	Total Notified Cases in Age Groups											Removed to Hospital.	Deaths
		0-	1-	2-	3-	4-	5-	10-	15-	25-	45-	65-		
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Measles	20	3	-	5	5	3	4	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Whooping Cough	2	-	-	1	-	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Polioomyelitis	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Dysentery	8	-	-	-	1	-	3	2	1	1	-	-	-	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Food Poisoning	2	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	1	-	-	-	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	1	-	-	-
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Totals	36	3	-	6	7	3	8	3	1	4	1	-	-	-

NOTIFIABLE INFECTIOUS DISEASES
YEARLY TOTALS.

	1964	1963	1962	1959	1954
Paratyphoid Fever	-	-	1	-	-
Scarlet Fever	1	3	8	4	1
Measles	20	25	11	62	131
Whooping Cough	2	1	-	2	9
Polioomyelitis	-	1	-	1	-
Dysentery	8	35	3	2	6
Food Poisoning	2	-	1	1	-
Acute Pneumonia	1	1	3	1	-
Puerperal Pyrexia	1	-	-	-	-
Diphtheria	-	-	-	-	-
Smallpox	-	-	-	-	-
Meningococcal Infection	-	-	-	-	-
Erysipelas	1	-	1	-	1
Ophthalmia Neonatorum	-	-	1	-	-
	36	66	29	72	150

PREVALENCE OF AND CONTROL OVER INFECTIOUS DISEASE.

Scarlet Fever.

One case of scarlet fever and one case of erysipelas, a related disease, were notified during the year. Both these conditions respond to modern treatment.

Measles.

There were five fewer cases of measles notified in 1964 than in the previous year. As yet no artificial immunity from this disease is available.

Whooping Cough.

As this is a potentially serious disease, infants should be immunized against whooping cough early in life.

Poliomyelitis; diphtheria; smallpox.

No case of these diseases was notified last year. It is important however, that parents ensure that their children are protected against these diseases, in order to maintain this satisfactory state of affairs.

Dysentery.

Of the eight cases notified in the year most arose as part of the outbreak of the disease which occurred in the latter part of 1963. During the rest of this year the number of cases notified was gratifyingly small.

Food Poisoning.

Two cases were notified, both of a mild type. Investigation of these cases, which were associated, did not reveal any specific source of infection.

Tuberculosis.

At the end of 1964 there were 25 persons on the Tuberculosis Register. Two new cases were added during the year. Most cases are now detected at an early stage of the disease, often by X-ray examination.

Pathological Specimens.

During the year 138 faeces samples were submitted to the Public Health Laboratory, Withington Hospital, Manchester 20. Positive results were reported on 26 specimens.

CASES NOTIFIED AND DEATHS FROM
TUBERCULOSIS DURING 1964

<u>ages</u>	New Cases				Deaths			
	Respiratory		Non Respiratory		Respiratory		Non Respiratory	
	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.	M.	F.
Under 1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
1 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
2 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
3 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
4 -	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
5 - 9	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
10 - 14	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
15 - 19	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
20 - 24	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
25 - 34	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
35 - 44	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
45 - 54	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
55 - 64	-	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
65 and over	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Total..	1	1	-	-	-	-	-	-
	2		-		-		-	

PROVISION OF PERSONAL HEALTH SERVICES

Services under the National Health Service Act and related legislation are provided by Lancashire County Council. For these purposes Lees forms part of Health Division No. 14. The Divisional Health Office is situated at "Tylon", Middleton Road, Chadderton. (Tel: MAIn 6251).

The Assistant Divisional Medical Officer based part-time at High Street Clinic is Dr. T. W. Sherratt.

MATERNITY SERVICES.

Mrs. F. H. M. Hughes of 80, Thomas Street, Lees (MAIn 5668) is employed as Midwife to serve this district. Relief duties are carried out by other midwives as necessary.

Ante-Natal Clinics.

Ante-natal clinics are held at the High Street Clinic, Lees on the second and fourth Monday in each month from 2 p.m. to 3 p.m.

CHILD WELFARE SERVICES.

Mrs. E. Lindley, Health Visitor can be contacted at the High Street Clinic, Lees every morning from 9 a.m. to 10 a.m.

Clinics are held as follows:-

Child Welfare	2 p.m. to 4 p.m. each Wednesday
Dental	9 a.m. to 12 noon each Wednesday.

Welfare foods are obtainable at the Child Welfare Sessions at the High Street Clinic.

HOME NURSING.

District Nursing service is provided by Health Division No. 14 and the District Nurse living within this area is Mrs. A. Welsby of 130, Spring Lane, Lees (Tel: MAIn 9622).

A male nurse is available for certain cases.

MENTAL HEALTH.

A staff of Mental Welfare Officers who are based at Divisional Health Office, work in co-operation with hospital staffs and general practitioners in all mental welfare matters.

CHIROPODY SERVICES.

Chiropody Clinics are held at the High Street Clinic every Thursday from 9 a.m. to 12 noon with the occasional Tuesday morning when demands call.

AMBULANCE SERVICES.

The ambulance service is administered by Health Division No. 14 and is under radio-control from a Control Centre at Radcliffe (Tel: RAD 3021).

HOME HELP SERVICES.

Home helps are available to attend households where necessary in cases of confinement, illnesses, old age and infirmity. Application for the services of a Home Help should be made to the Home Help Organiser, Divisional Health Office.

WELFARE SERVICES.

Residential accommodation for elderly persons in need of care and attention not otherwise available is provided by the County Council in seven homes for the elderly in Division 14.

The Statutory services - Health Visitors, Home Nurses, Home Helps and Chiropody services co-operate with the voluntary bodies providing meals on wheels, Home Visiting etc.

CHILDRENS ACT, 1948.

The work in connection with children who are without parental care for one reason or another is carried out by the Lancashire County Council at the Childrens Department, Enville House, Ashton (Tel: AShton 2953).

HOSPITAL AND CLINIC FACILITIES.

The Oldham Royal Infirmary and Oldham & District General Hospital provide all general Hospital services for this district. Infectious disease cases are usually admitted to Westhulme Hospital, Oldham whilst some infectious disease patients are admitted to specialist hospitals in the Manchester district.

The Tuberculosis Chest Clinic at Oldham & District General Hospital provides facilities for examination of residents of this district.

Treatment Centres for Venereal Disease are available at:-

District Infirmary, Ashton	..	..	..	Tel: Ashton 1611
Oldham & District General Hospital	..	..	..	Tel: M.In 8181
Municipal Clinic, 20, Baillie Street, Rochdale	..	..	..	Tel: Rochdale 47474

The Urban District Council is responsible for those matters likely to affect or be concerned with the maintenance of high standards of environmental health. These include:-

- Inspection of houses re fitness for human habitation.
- Control of infectious disease (Including food poisoning).
- Control of food and food preparing premises.
- Provision of suitable water supplies.
- Detection and prevention of nuisances.
- Prevention of atmospheric pollution.
- Control of rodent and insect infestation.
- Collection and disposal of refuse.
- Provision of sanitary accommodation and public conveniences.

Council Offices,
Cross Street,
Lees.

July, 1965.

Report of the Public Health Inspector.

To: The Chairman and Members of the Health Committee.

Mr. Chairman, Gentlemen,

I respectfully submit herewith the Annual Report on the sanitary circumstances of the district and the work of the department during the year 1964.

Throughout the year, every effort has been made to maintain progress in respect of slum clearance work, and the occupation of completed development at the Lees Union Site has taken place. The acquisition of land at the Further Hey Mill Site has indicated the Council's wish to progress with the problem of the clearance of unfit housing.

As in previous years, weekly refuse collection service has been operated throughout the year, and this essential service will continue to be maintained.

A further increase in work has been brought about by the coming into operation of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 and all premises concerned have been visited.

The support of the Chairman and Members of the Health Committee is appreciated and acknowledged in carrying out the work as shewn in this report. I must record my thanks to the Medical Officer of Health, the Clerk and Miss Wormald for their constant assistance and co-operation in all matters.

I am Gentlemen,

Yours sincerely,

J. W. Rustidge.

Public Health Inspector.

SANITARY CIRCUMSTANCES OF THE AREA.

Drainage and Sewerage.

The whole district is drained and sewered but the Authority possesses no sewage disposal works. Sewage is conveyed to sewers of the Oldham County Borough via three main junctions, the respective flows being measured by Lea Recorders, and is treated by that authority at the disposal works in Slack Valley, Chadderton Urban District.

74 dwellings were connected into the sewer system during the year.

Public Cleansing.

A weekly collection of domestic refuse has been maintained throughout the year, collection being direct from household bins to a side loader diesel engined vehicle by one team of three men, and disposed of at the Further Hey Tip. 1,460 loads of refuse were disposed of at this tip during the year.

32 tons of tins were recovered from the tip as salvage. £80 was received for the sale of this salvage during the year. The refuse is hand levelled at the tip face and some paper is removed for incineration on the tip top.

Negotiations are now commencing regarding a new Council tip at Birks Quarry, Waterhead. If successful, this would provide a satisfactory tip for many years.

Dustbins are replaced by the Council, the cost being borne by the General Rate fund. 60 B.S.S. dustbins fitted with rubber lids were supplied during the year as replacements. The number of moveable dustbins in the district is approximately 1619.

Rodent Control.

No full-time rodent operative is employed, all necessary works being carried out by two members of the road maintenance staff who have attended Ministry courses of instruction in rodent destruction. The part time operatives attend periodic refresher courses arranged by the Ministry of Agriculture, Fisheries and Food.

The sewer system receives a bi-annual maintenance treatment, fluoracetamide being used. The treatments have proved satisfactory.

Complaints of rodent infestation are handled promptly and 27 rat and mouse infestations were successfully treated throughout the year.

Sanitary Accommodation.

All houses in the district are on the water carriage system although approximately 358 dwellings possess no separate fresh water closet. There are still 38 waste water closets remaining within the district. Two closets were converted and two were demolished during the year. Informal approaches to owners to secure conversion of these closets during the year have met without success. Alternative action is to require the conversion of the closets under Section 47 of the Public Health Act, 1936.

Number of waste water closets end 1964	38
Number of conversions during the year	2
Number of fresh water closets	1,545
Number of houses on water carriage system	1,527

Smoke Abatement.

The authority co-operates in the joint scheme for the investigation of atmospheric pollution formed by 27 local authorities in the surrounding area. One lead peroxide guage for the determination of sulphur pollution is sited in the Cemetery grounds, Thomas Street, Lees. Informal action was sufficient in dealing with minor smoke emissions from factory chimneys during the year.

Six half hour smoke observations were taken during the year and found to be satisfactory.

Water Supply.

The Oldham Corporation Waterworks supply serves the whole district, the source being that of upland surface water. The supply is subjected to filtration and sterilization by the chloramine process at its source. During the year, six samples for bacteriological examinations were taken by the Local Authority and 10 were taken by Oldham Corporation Waterworks Department at various points in the district. All were tested and reported as satisfactory.

During 1964, undertakings were given to the Local Authority authorising them to arrange for the cleansing of the branch pipes serving 54 dwellings. All were reported satisfactory on completion.

Rivers and Streams.

The Mersey & Weaver River Authority is the controlling authority for the streams in the area, the two most notable streams being the river Medlock and Thornley Brook.

Following one instance of heavy rainfall at the beginning of June, a surface water culvert off St. John Street, became choked and flooding occurred. Complete cleansing of the culvert by the Council has remedied this occurrence, although itinerant tipping and depositing of large waste articles on an open stretch of the watercourse previous to the culvert renders continual inspection and cleansing to be necessary.

Sanitary Inspections.

During the year 815 visits were made to 502 premises, namely
368 dwellinghouses,
84 shops,
5 schools,
25 factories.

In the dwellinghouses 185 defects or nuisances were found and 167 of these matter were remedied. It was found necessary to serve 2 Statutory Notices to ensure that the necessary repairs were carried out, whilst 73 informal notices and personal visits obtained the desired results in the majority of cases.

Disinfestation.

7 houses were found to be verminous but each infestation responded to a lindane/DDT treatment and was satisfactorily cleared.

Schools.

There are five schools in the district, one of which is a private school. All are connected to drainage systems and are served with mains water supply.

In two schools, facilities for children to wash are below standard and in three schools the provision of drinking water for pupils is unsatisfactory.

Factories.

There are 25 factories among which 30 visits were made. 4 informal notices under the act were issued and were found to be remedied on reinspection.

Offices, Shops and Railway Premises.

Registration of establishments under Section 49 of the Offices, Shops and Railway Premises Act 1963 was required by the 31st July, 1964. All premises registered under this Section were visited during the year.

Registration and General Inspections.

Class of Premises.	No. of premises reg. during the year.	No. of reg. premises at end of year	No. of reg. premises receiving a general inspection during year.
Offices	2	2	2
Retail Shops	23	23	23
Wholesale shops, Warehouses	2	1	2
Catering establishments open to the public, canteens	6	6	6
Fuel storage depots	2	2	2
Totals	35	34	35

Rodent Control Work.

	Local Authority	Dwelling houses	Other premises	Agricultural.
Number of properties in the district	3	1506	413	2
Number of properties inspected.	8	48	19	4
Total inspections carried out (including re-inspections)	11	94	49	4
No. of properties found to be infested by:-				
Rats - Major	-	-	-	-
- Minor	1	13	1	-
Mice - Major	-	-	-	-
- Minor	-	10	2	-
No. of infested properties treated	1	23	3	-
Total treatments carried out (including re-treatments)	1	23	3	-

INSPECTION AND SUPERVISION OF FOOD.

The majority of the shops in the district sell foodstuffs of one type or another. Out of 88 shops there are 60 selling food for human consumption. The various trades are represented as under:-

General grocers and provision dealers	25
Greengrocers and fruiterers	4
Fishmongers	1
Butchers	6
Bakers and/or Confectioners	4
Fried fish shops	5
Shops selling mainly sugar confectionery, minerals, ice-cream etc.	4
Licensed premises, clubs, canteens, restaurants, cafes, snack bars and similar catering establishments	11
Total	<u>60</u>

The number of visits paid to the above premises totalled 147 during 1964.

Fourteen premises are registered under Section 16 of the Food and Drugs Act 1955 for the preparation or manufacture of sausages or potted, pressed, pickled or preserved food intended for sale.

Milk.

There are five supplies of untreated milk sold within the district, and there is one farmer licenced to produce milk, who also holds a licence for retail sale.

Licences for milk are issued by the County Council and the following licences have been issued since January, 1961.

Pasteurised	-	6
Sterilized	-	35
Untreated	-	6

The County Council obtained 26 samples of milk (10 of which were Channel Island Milk) during the year. The County Analyst gave adverse reports on the following:-

<u>Type of Sample.</u>	<u>Result of Analysis.</u>	<u>Action taken.</u>
1 Formal Milk	Fat 2.8 deficient 6.6% fat, and slightly low in solids-not-fat.	Farmer informed.
1 Formal Milk	Fat 2.4 deficient 20% fat and low in solids-not-fat.	Farmer informed.

In addition, the Local Authority submitted one heat treated milk for bacteriological and two untreated milks for biological examination. All three results were satisfactory.

Ice Cream.

No ice-cream is manufactured in Lees and except for that sold from mobile vans, this commodity is retailed in wrapped form from 20 registered premises in the area. 6 samples were submitted during 1964 to the Public Health Laboratory for bacteriological examination and all samples were found to be satisfactory.

Slaughter Houses.

There are no slaughterhouses registered in the district.

Sampling of food.

Sampling of foods is carried out by the Lancashire County Council and the following samples of foodstuffs were obtained in the district:-

- 1 Lard
- 1 Oatmeal
- 1 Table Jelly
- 1 Beef sausages
- 1 Penicillin lozenges
- 1 Distaguaine V.K.
- 1 Dequadin lozenges
- 1 Dripping
- 1 Fruit chutney
- 1 Cornflour
- 1 Vegetables (fresh onions)

The County Analyst gave an adverse report on:-

<u>Type of Sample</u>	<u>Result of Analysis.</u>	<u>Action taken.</u>
1 Distaguaine V.K.	Sample contained 59.6 mgms. of phenoxymethylene instead of 125 mgms.	Vendor notified

HOUSING.

1. Number of new houses erected during the year:-

(i) By the Local Authority	...	...	35
(ii) By other bodies or persons	.	...	39

2. Total number of Council owned dwellings at end of year 118

3. Inspection of dwelling-houses during the year:-

(i) a) Total number of dwelling-houses inspected formally or informally for housing defects (under Public Health and Housing Acts)	..	..	..	..	129
b) Total number of inspections made for the purpose..					166
c) Number of dwelling-houses in a) above found to be not in all respects reasonably fit for human habitation but capable of being rendered fit.	..				72
(ii) Total number of dwelling houses existing at end of year which were unfit for human habitation and not capable at reasonable expense of being rendered fit (Estimated)	..	..	..	..	50

4. Houses Demolished.

	Houses Demolished	Displaced during year	
		Persons.	Families.
Not in Clearance Areas. As a result of formal or informal procedure under Section 17(1) Housing Act, 1957.	9	5	2

5. Unfit Houses Closed.

	Number	Displaced during year	
		Persons.	Families.
Under Sections 16(4), 17(1) and 25(1) Housing Act, 1957	44	78	26

6. Unfit Houses made Fit and Houses in which Defects were Remedied.

	By owner	By Local Authority
(i) After informal action by Local Authority.	76	-
(ii) After formal notice under		
(a) Public Health Acts	2	-
(b) Sections 9 and 16 Housing Act, 1957	-	-

7. Number of Unfit Houses in Temporary Use, Housing Act 1957 Nil.
8. Number of Houses purchased by Agreement Nil
9. Number of Clearance Areas represented Nil
10. Housing Act 1949 and Housing (Financial Provisions) Act, 1958.
Improvement Grants.

No applications have been submitted to the Council during the year for Improvement Grants.

The Council do not make a practise of approving such grants.

11. House Purchase and Housing Act, 1959
and Housing Acts 1961 and 1964.
Standard Grants.

	Number of dwellings or other buildings affected.
Action during year:-	
(i) Applications submitted to local authority for improvement to full standard	29
(ii) Applications approved by local authority for improvement to reduced standard	Nil
(iii) Total applications approved by local authority	29
(iv) Work completed	30

The number of Grants paid during the year was 30, total amount being £3,768 : 0 : 0d.

12. Housing List.

At the end of 1964, the requirements for houses were as follows:-

52 - 1 bedroom accommodation
18 - 2 bedroom accommodation
20 - 3 bedroom accommodation

17 known cases of overcrowding existed at the end of the year. Several of these cases are included in the clearance programme.

FACTORIES.

Promises. (1)	Number on Register (2)	Number of		
		Inspections (3)	Written Notices (4)	Occupiers prosecuted (5)
(i) Factories in which Sections 1, 2, 3, 4 and 6 are to be enforced by the Local Authority	5	4	-	-
(ii) Factories not included in (i) in which Section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority	20	26	4	-
(iii) Other premises in which section 7 is enforced by the Local Authority (excluding out-worker's premises).	-	-	-	-
Total	25	30	4	-

Cases in which Defects were found.

Particulars. (1)	Number of cases in which defects were found.				Number of cases in which prosecutions were instituted. (6)
	Found (2)	Remedied (3)	Referred		
			To H.M. Inspector. (4)	By H.M. Inspector. (5)	
Lant of cleanliness (S.1).....	-	-	-	-	-
Overcrowding (S.2).....	-	-	-	-	-
Unreasonable temperature (S.3)	-	-	-	-	-
Inadequate ventilation (S.4).. Ineffective drainage of floors (S.6)...	-	-	-	-	-
Sanitary Conveniences (S.7)					
(a) Insufficient	-	-	-	-	-
(b) Unsuitable of defective ..	6	4	-	-	-
(c) Not separate for sexes ...	-	-	-	-	-
Other offences against the Act (not including offences relating to Out-work).....	-	-	-	-	-
Total	6	4	-	-	-

Outworkers.

Nature of work. (1)	Section 133			Section 134		
	No. of out-workers in August list required by Section 133 (1) (c). (2)	No. of cases of default in sending lists to the Council (3)	No. of prosecutions for failure to supply lists. (4)	No. of instances of work in unwholesome premises. (5)	Notices served. (6)	Prosecutions (7)
Wearing) Making apparel)	-	-	-	-	-	-
Wearing)Cleaning apparel)& Washing	-	-	-	-	-	-

